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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: R. Elghanian, et al. Group Art Unit: 1634  
Serial Number: 09/928,250 Examiner: E. Whisenant  
Filing Date: August 9, 2001  
Title: Use and Evaluation of a [2+2] Photocycloaddition in  
Immobilization of Oligonucleotides on a Three-Dimensional  
Hydrogel Matrix

**Response to Office Action**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

**Introductory Comments**

Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement mailed November 20, 2002, in connection with the captioned application, please consider the following amendments and remarks. Applicants are also submitting concurrently herewith a petition to extend the period of response one month from February 20, 2003, up to and including March 20, 2003.